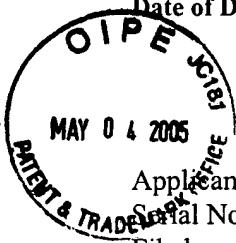


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

- Preliminary Amendment (3 pages);
- Exhibit A (3 pages); and
- Return Postcard.

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (617) 542-6000, Boston, Massachusetts. The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Reference No. 24334-003. A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT A

Sir/Madam:

20 Before examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.